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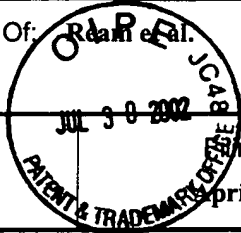
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In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1, 7, and 19 as follows:

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1. A method for delivering a medicament to an individual comprising the steps of:
providing a chewing gum consisting of ingredients selected from the group consisting of elastomers, resins, fats, oils, softeners, fillers, waxes, colorants, antioxidants, plasticizers, texturizers, emulsifiers, whiteners, acidulants, bulking agents, essential oils, sweeteners, and flavors, and at least one medicament, the ingredients and medicament having a uniform distribution throughout the gum;
chewing the chewing gum to cause the medicament to be released from the chewing gum composition into the buccal cavity of the individual; and
continuing to chew the chewing gum thereby creating a fluid pressure causing the medicament to enter the systemic system of the individual through an oral mucosa of the individual.

7. A method for reducing the amount of agent necessary to achieve an effect in an individual as compared a typical agent that is swallowed comprising the steps of: